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A Newsletter of the Wofford College Environmental Studies Program

*Join us this Sunday
afternoon at the first
Zero-Waste
basketball game at
the Richardson
Indoor Stadium!
Volunteers needed~
contact Dr.
Telligman to be part
of the team!*



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ZERO WASTE TEAM

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Alumnae Visit Senior Seminar by Dr. Peter Brewitt



Professor Lane took ENVS101 students to the Pacolet Heritage Preserve, which has become a traditional field trip for the class.



On Thursday three distinguished Wofford ENVS alumnae returned to the nest to share their wisdom and perspectives with this year's seniors. Lauren Senn '12 (a Clemson PhD student), Andrea McCracken '13 (just accepted a job at AECOM) and Alex Hoots '17 (sustainability intern at CU-Boulder) joined us at Glendale for an enjoyable and wide-ranging conversation. Their advice (for those who weren't there) balanced sharp suggestions with a wise sense of balance and flexibility. Our seniors are going places – grad school, internships, the professional world –

and it was fun, and inspiring for me, to see visions of their futures in our visitors. I look forward to seeing some of these seniors come back from their adventures to share ideas with the class of 2021. I gave them some space to talk without me present, so I cannot speak for ALL the advice they received, but I agreed with pretty much everything I heard. At the end we congregated at senior Riley Garrison's Poet's Garden, enjoying the landscape as the sun sank low, on the Lawson's Fork and on the college careers of the class of 2018.



L to R: Alex Hoots'17, Lauren Senn'12, and Andrea McCracken'13

Upcoming Events and Opportunities

February 25th
2:00pm
Richardson Indoor Stadium

First Zero-Waste Basketball Game: Volunteers needed for the men's basketball game. See Dr. Telligman (telligmanal@wofford.edu) if you are interested in helping out.

February 28th
5:30-6:30pm

Online Webinar Info Session: Register to learn about [Saha Global](#) Leadership positions in Ghana. Currently applications are being accepted for summer (May28-June18). [Register](#) online for the info session.

February 28th
7:30pm
Leonard Auditorium

Poetry Reading by Nikky Finney: Finney is a National Book Award winner for poetry and a Wofford honorary degree recipient. She will read from her work.

March 1st

Applications for Biosphere 2 REU Summer Program: Paid 10-week summer program (June4-August10) to conduct guided research in environmental and earth systems science in Tucson, AZ. Visit <http://biosphere2.org/education/research-experiences-for-undergraduates> for more information.

March 1st

Applications for Middlebury Summer Environmental Studies Program in China: Program dates - June15-July 28, 2018. Students will work alongside faculty and practitioners in the Yunnan province to tackle significant environmental problems that stretch beyond traditional disciplinary boundaries. Visit <http://www.middlebury.edu/environment> for application and additional information about the program. Financial aid available.

March 5th

Deadline to Submit Artwork for Spartanburg Earth Day Festival: Submit your entry for the Make a World of Difference Art Contest. The winning college entry receives \$400 at the festival awards ceremony. For information and how to apply visit: www.spartanburearthday.org/Contests18.html

March 14th
7:00pm
Jerome Johnson Richardson
Theater, Richardson Center
for the Arts

The Way I See It: A Particle World View and Rooted Abstraction: Speaker Judith Kruger is a visual artist whose paintings, prints and mixed media works address Human-Environment connectivity and their shared vulnerabilities. She is recognized internationally for her advocacy of natural painting materials and historic, ecological processes. Her exhibit, *Mingled Terrain*, is open in the Richardson Family Art Museum.

March 15th
7:00pm
Richardson Family Art
Museum

Gallery Talk by Judith Kruger: Join us for a gallery talk by Kruger. The on-going work of the artist is the byproduct of a deep engagement with environment, place and the physicality and materiality of all phenomena. Her exhibit, *Mingled Terrain*, is open February 6–April 7 in the Richardson Family Art Museum.

PROFILE OF THE WEEK:

Villanova University – MS in Environmental Science

Villanova's Master of Science in Environmental Science (MSES) program focuses on understanding the scientific processes of the environment to better manage human interactions with natural systems. Students can learn relevant technology skills such as geographic information systems, global positioning systems, cartographic techniques, and satellite imagery.

The MSES degree, with either a thesis or non-thesis option, offers a foundation in current environmental issues and research methods along

with hands-on research experience and concentrations in Ecosystem Sciences and Resource Management.

Villanova's geographic location in the mid-Atlantic offers coastal to urban to agricultural environments for research study and faculty have a wide range of academic disciplines.

https://www1.villanova.edu/villanova/artsci/geoenv/academicprograms/Graduate_Programs.html